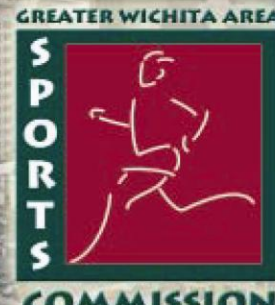


2008



Annual Report





History

November 1997 saw the implementation of the Greater Wichita Area Sports Commission, 501 (c)(6) non-profit organization, dedicated to enhancing the quality of life and the economy in the Greater Wichita Area.



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Greater Wichita Area Sports Commission is to enhance the quality of life and the economy by taking the lead in promoting, acquiring and supporting a diversity of youth, amateur and professional sporting programs and events.



Goals

- Establish, maintain and promote sports programs and events in the Greater Wichita Area.
- Be an active participant in community deliberations involving sports forums and facilities.
- Promote the mission of the Sports Commission.
- Be a central resource for requests, support and assistance for youth, amateur and professional sporting events and activities.



GREATER WICHITA AREA





Staff





Community Involvement

- Wichita Area Economic Outlook Team
- Central Plains Youth Sports Complex
- USD 259 Steering Committee
- Sedgwick County Arena Task Force
- Kansas Sports Hall of Fame Board
- GWCVB Board
- Start-A-Heart Kansas
- SASO – Wichita State
- Newman University Sports Advisory Committee
- Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan
- YMCA Indoor Sports Task Force
- Catholic Charities – Choose Respect Initiative
- Many Speaking Engagements



Funding Information

- Membership Programs
 - Charter Gold \$5,000 per year for five years
 - Other levels from \$5,000 - \$100
- Event Sales & Sponsorships
- Housing Bureaus

\$ 6,358,850

Funds Raised thru 2008



Economic Impact of Sports

Over **\$265,000,000** since 1997

**Economic Impact
Of Sporting Events
In Wichita, KS**



January, 1998
thru
December 31, 2008

Compared to **\$6,358,850** Investment

Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award



Buster Posey, Florida State University accepts the 2008 Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award in July. Jason Castro, Stanford University and Dock Doyle, Coastal Carolina University were the other finalists.

Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award



Johnny Bench Award Catchers' Clinic
&
Johnny Bench Midwest Showcase
16U Baseball Tournament



Where are they now?



2001
Kelly Shoppach
Cleveland Indians



2002
Chris Snyder
Arizona Diamondbacks



2003
Ryan Garko
Cleveland Indians



2004
Chris Iannetta
Colorado Rockies



2004
Landon Powell
Oakland A's



2004
Kurt Suzuki
Oakland A's



2005
Jeff Clement
Seattle Mariners



2005
Nick Hundley
San Diego Padres



2005
Taylor Teagarden
Texas Rangers

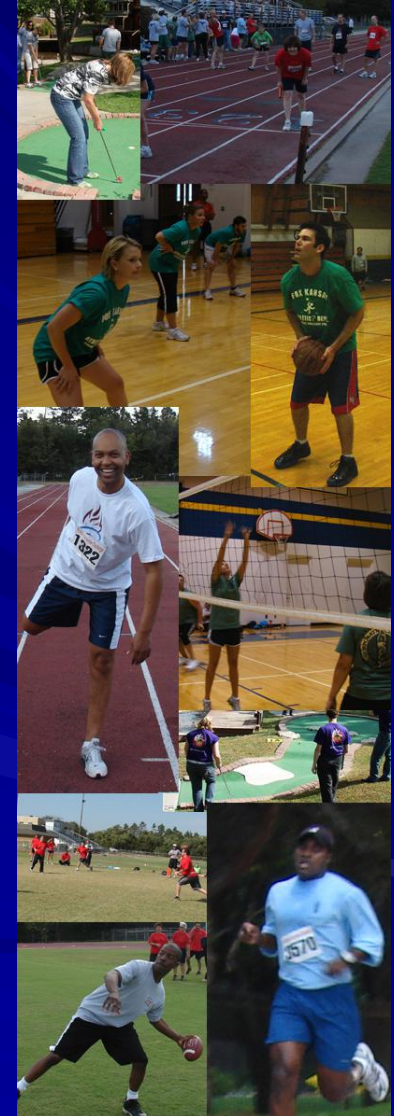
Greater Wichita Sports Banquet



Wichita Corporate Challenge



2008 Corporate Cup Winner
Bombardier Learjet



Region VI Championships



Barton County Women, Seward Men
and Butler Community College

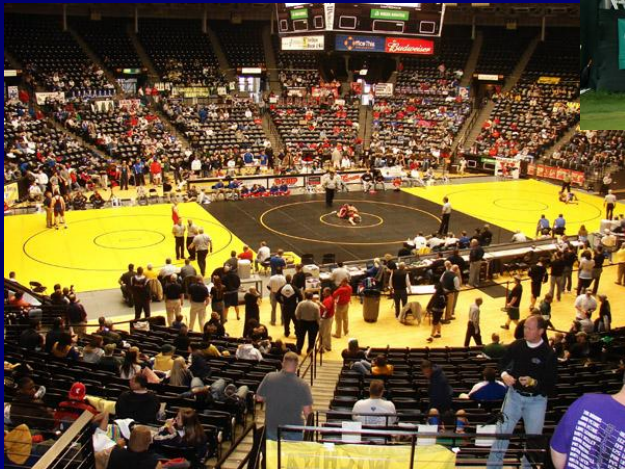
Woody Austin Midwest Jr. Golf Tournament



Taylor Fagan, Lauren Falley
Myles Miller, Trey Siegel



Other Events





Partnerships

KSHSAA State Wrestling Tournament
Park City-Wichita Wrestling Classic
KSYSA State Cup
K.T. Woodman Track Invitational
WNBA Exhibition Games
Air Capital Soccer Invitational
KSHSAA Track Meet
Preferred Health Systems Wichita Open
NBC World Series
Newman University Athletics
Wichita State University Athletics
Professional Bowlers Association
Kansas Sports Hall of Fame
Wichita Marathon
Wichita Thunder Junior Hockey
Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference
Region VI Football Championship
Run Wichita
River City Soccer Association
American Junior Golf Association
Professional Golf Association
Mid America Youth Basketball
Teen Masters (Bowling)
Wichita Ice Center
USA Wrestling

Eastside Baseball Camps
Independent World Chess Championships, Inc.
Wichita Wild
Wichita Thunder
Wichita Wingnuts
City of Wichita
Sedgwick County
US Bowling Congress
Kansas Shrine Bowl
Wichita Boxing
WSU Alumni Association
Kansas Kids Wrestling
Central Plains Youth Sports Complex
Wichita Officials Association
Wichita Figure Skating Club
Midwest Regional Water Ski
Via Christi Sports Medicine
Catholic Charities
Youth Entrepreneurs of Kansas
Kansas Golf Association
Kansas Women's Golf Association
USD 259
USA Volleyball
Sports Week Event
Many Others


INTRUST Bank Arena

CONGRATULATIONS

YOUR NEW DOWNTOWN ARENA IS PAID FOR. AND YOUR ONE-CENT SALES TAX IS DONE FOR.

For the past thirty months, you have paid it as
every one-cent sales tax you pay for the new Downtown
Arena. Regardless, you contributed more than \$200 million.
That's a nice piece of change. And the new arena it pays
for will bring a long list of nice changes to our community.

Not only will it provide a great place for sports and
entertainment, your investment will bring in substantial
revenue from other areas. When we all work together,
our money really does talk. And as of January 1, you can
have the one-cent sales tax back and direct it to your priorities.




Top: January 25, 2008

Bottom:
December 12, 2008





Hartman Arena



Wichita Pro Sports



Kevin Hooper



Brent Bilodeau & Joel T. Lomurno

Local Universities



Wichita State University



Newman University



Local Facilities





Event Development

- **Wichita Corporate Challenge**
- **Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award**
- **Woody Austin Midwest Jr. Golf Invitational**
- **Park City-Wichita Wrestling Classic**
- **MAYB Tournaments**
- **Region VI Championships**
- **Sports Commission Golf Tournament**
- **KSHSAA State Championships**
- **Kansas Shrine Bowl**
- **USA Olympic Volleyball vs Netherlands**
- **USA Kids Wrestling**



2009: A Look Ahead

- KSHSAA Wrestling Championships
- Park City-Wichita Wrestling Classic
- Region VI Basketball Tournament
- Region VI Softball, Baseball & Tennis Tournament
- Sports Commission MAYB Tournaments
- Woody Austin Midwest Jr. Golf Invitational
- Greater Wichita Sports Banquet
- Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award
- USA Men's Olympic Volleyball vs Netherlands
- Kansas Shrine Bowl
- PHS Wichita Open
- NBC World Series
- Wichita Corporate Challenge
- Wichita Marathon
- KSHOF Induction Ceremony
- Wichita Wild Indoor Football
- Wichita Wingnuts Baseball
- Wichita Thunder Hockey
- Region VI Football Championship

